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In re the application of: Beckwith, et al.
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For: *Compositions and Methods for Production of Disulfide Bond Containing Proteins in Host*

Examiner: B. Loeb
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Response and Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on July 29, 2002 in the above-referenced application. A Petition for a three months extension of time is filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at **line 30 on page 42** with the paragraph as set forth below. A marked-up version of the paragraph showing the changes made follows the remarks section of this response.

Two fast growing suppressor mutants were obtained from the strains DHB4 *gshA20::Tn10Km trxB::Km...Tn10* and DHB4 *gor522...mini-Tn10Tc trxB::Km*, both of which are derivatives of DHB4 (MC1000 *phoA(PvuII) phoR malF3 F'[lac+(lacIQ) pro]*) (Boyd, et al. (1987) *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A* 84: 8525), as follows. These fast growing suppressor mutants were obtained by growing the two strains for about 24 hours in medium containing 6 mM DTT. A fast growing strain from each of the two strains were isolated: FA112 ((DHB4